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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Atomic/Biological/Chemical Division, OSI
ATTENTION:
FROM: Chief, CIA/PID(NPIC)
SUBJECT: Possible Chemical Separations Plant, Lanchi, China
REFERENCES: Requirement No. CSI/R-204/63 CIA Project No. C 775-63
1. The facility at Lanchi, China (29-13N 119-26E) which identified as a possible chemical reparations plant was located on and studied in detail as requested.
2. The facility is definitely not a chemical separations or gaseous diffusion plant. Comparison with other identified industrial facilities in China and the U.S. reveals that it is an aluminum plant still under construction. The completed structures and those still under construction are similar in size, shape and general location in relationship to each other to the identified aluminum plant at Pao Tou, China. The long building completed can be identified as a pot room building and a second such building is under construction parallel to it which will then put the completed stack between the two pot room buildings as it is at the Pao Tou plant. The structures which can be identified as the electrolysis building, the transformer yard, and the casting building are also similar to the Pao Tou sluminum plant and ore also in the same location in relationship to each other.
3. I aceded photo copies of this and the Pap Tou plant can be made available.
4. The photo enalyst on this project is He may be contacted on extension should there be any further questions regarding this project.
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